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## SYNOPSIS.

ACT I.—SCENE. Home of O. Bliss New York City. When the cat is away, etc O. Bliss and his pal after a fierce and furious night. Memories pleasant and otherwise. The wrong overcoat. The unpaid Cabby—An unexpected visitor. Lulu, "The Dream."—Sudden return of Mrs. Bliss. —Trouble begins. The precious clock for cab fare. The Stranger. Bliss resorts to strategy. Author of "The Dream" Mrs. Bliss's favorite book Lulu discovered. The clock wrecked. The famous jeweler and his daughter introduced.—Curtain.

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ACT III.—SCENE.—Interior of the Bliss mansion, Tampa Bay,—Everything serene and silence reigns supreme.—Stained family relations.—The household divided.—Speaking terms restored once more.—Mrs. Bliss's Triumph.—The disappointment.—Florence turns the tables.—Mr. Bliss resigned.—Captain Cyclone comes to the relief.—Explanation accepted.—Everybody ceases "Looking for Trouble."—Curtain.

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ACT I.—Song, Georgie and Bella, Haughty Sporty Girls, by Bliss's daughter, Florence, Josephine, Minnie and May; Song and Dance, Lulu, Medley by Company.

ACT II.—Song, Gay Miss Gays, Bliss's Daughters; Song, O. Bliss; Bathing Song, Bliss's Daughters; Song, "Trouble," Hugh Fist; Medley by Company.

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